

# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1, 4, AND 5 3 VOTES

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Ratify changes in work and accept completed contract work under the following construction contracts:

Project ID No. FCC0000943 - Lannan Debris Basin Drain Repair, City of Sierra Madre (5), Sancon Technologies, Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$371.00, and a final contract amount of \$187,249.50.

Project ID No. FCC0000984 - Live Oak Spreading Grounds Drainage Improvements and Live Oak Wash Invert Access Ramp, vicinity of Claremont (5), Sol Construction, with changes amounting to a credit of \$3,135.00, and a final contract amount of \$301,602.00.

Project ID No. RMD1446015 - Parkway Tree Planting, MD 1 (As Needed), FY 2004-05, vicinities of Industry, Diamond Bar, and Covina (1, 4, and 5), Azteca Landscape, with a final contract amount of \$133,695.00.

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Project ID No. TSM0010148 - Amar Road, et al., vicinities of Baldwin Park, Walnut, and West Covina (1 and 5), Dynalectric, with changes amounting to a credit of \$67,567.07, and a final contract amount of \$1,345,914.94.

# PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

This action is to obtain Board ratification of Director-approved changes in public works contracts and Board acceptance of the work of the contracts in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code. Included in the enclosures are project and contract data, the scope of work of changes to be ratified, and the work of the contracts to be accepted.

The Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Enclosed for your ratification are changes in work which I ordered for Project ID Nos. FCC0000943, FCC0000984, and TSM0010148.

The projects have been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept them on the dates indicated in the enclosures.

# <u>Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals</u>

The acceptance of these construction contracts is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since acceptance of these completed contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

## FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The modifications to the contract amounts range in value from credits of \$67,567.07 to \$371.00, while the total values of the contracts range from \$133,695.00 to \$1,345,914.94.

Ratification of the changes in work and acceptance of the work of the respective contracts by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

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Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the changes and the total value of each of the contracts. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes together with contract cost summaries are included in the enclosures.

# FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Each of these contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The changes in the work as described above and in the enclosures are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

Each contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of each of the changes were based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or were negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the final costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

## **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Ratification of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contracts by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the respective contracts, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

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# **CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office County Counsel Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

# PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000943, LANNAN DEBRIS BASIN DRAIN REPAIR (City of Sierra Madre), Supervisorial District 5

<u>Contractor</u>: Sancon Technologies, Inc., 5881 Engineer Drive, Huntington Beach, California 92508

## **Project Description:**

Replacement and lining of an existing 24-inch reinforced concrete pipe; construction of pipe anchors, manholes, and concrete collar; and other appurtenant work.

# Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities

(\$371.00)

# **Description of Changes:**

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon ac quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

# **Project Completion Date:**

The contractor completed the project on July 31, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications. However, this was 32 days after the required completion date; therefore, in accordance with the project specifications, the contractor was assessed \$500 for each calendar day beyond the required completion date. In addition, the contractor requested five hours of overtime inspection which resulted in a credit to the County.

The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

# Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$203,883.00
Changes in work authorized by the Director	
of Public Works	(371.00)
Deduction for Liquidated Damages	(16,000.00)
Deduction for overtime inspection	(262.50)
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$187.249.50

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PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000984, LIVE OAK SPREADING GROUNDS DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS AND LIVE OAK WASH INVERT ACCESS RAMP (in the vicinity of Claremont), Supervisorial District 5

<u>Contractor</u>: Sol Construction, 1600 Chicago Avenue, Suite R2, Riverside, California 92507

# **Project Description:**

Construction of drainage ditches and swales, a reinforced concrete ramp, 18- and 30-inch reinforced concrete pipes, and shotcrete drainage ditches and swales; installation of double drive gates and chainlink fence; and other appurtenant work.

### Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities

(\$3,135.00)

# **Description of Changes:**

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

Two additional working days were required because of a modification to the concrete ramp.

# **Project Completion Date:**

The contractor completed the project on October 5, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications. In addition, the contracted requested eight hours of overtime inspection which resulted in a credit to the County.

# **Final Contract Amount:**

\$305,157.00
(3,135.00)
(420.00)

FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT \$301,602.00

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PROJECT ID NO. RMD1446015, PARKWAY TREE PLANTING, MD 1 (AS NEEDED) FY 2004-05 (in the southeast area of Los Angeles County, in the vicinities of Industry, Diamond Bar, and Covina), Supervisorial Districts 1, 4, and 5

Contractor: Azteca Landscape, 1027 East Acacia Street, Ontario, California 91761

# **Project Description:**

Planting of parkway trees on an as-needed basis.

# **Project Completion Date:**

The contractor completed the project on October 24, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications.

# Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$100,300.00
Actual cost of changes in work previously approved	
by your board	33,395.00
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FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>133,695.00</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. TSM0010148, AMAR ROAD, ET AL. (in the vicinities of Baldwin Park, Walnut, and West Covina), Supervisorial Districts 1 and 5

Contractor: Dynalectric, 4462 Corporate Center Drive, Los Alamitos, California 90720-2539

# <u>Project Description</u>:

Modification and synchronization of traffic signals.

## Changes in Work:

(1)	Variations in Bid Quantities	(\$67,970.51)
(2)	Additional Excavation for Langford Street	403.44

Total (\$<u>67,567.07</u>)

# **Description of Changes:**

- (1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.
- (2) Additional excavation was needed to complete the lighting system at the Langford Street Community Greening project.

The costs for Items 1 and 2 were based on contract unit prices.

No additional working days were required because of these changes. However, the contractor was granted an additional 135 days to obtain the required materials.

### Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on August 25, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required by the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

# **Final Contract Amount:**

Original contract amount	\$1,139,190.08
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	274,291.93
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	(67,567.07)
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>1,345,914.94</u>

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